

FINAL REPORT

Third International Conference on the Effects of Noise on Aquatic Life

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LONG-TERM GOALS

Conduct an international meeting in August 2013 that would bring together investigators, regulators, industry, government representatives, and representatives of environmental groups and the public to discuss effects of noise on aquatic life.

OBJECTIVES

Enhance knowledge of the subject and collaboration

APPROACH

Hold a scientific meeting on the topic.

WORK COMPLETED

The meeting was successfully held in Budapest, August 2013. Over 250 people attended from 22 countries attended (see Table 1), of which 53% were male and 46% female (of those answering our survey). These included students, faculty, investigators, etc. (see Table 2).

RESULTS

Over 150 papers were presented. These were in oral format or posters, with over 60 of the posters also presented in short talks (“lightning talks”) that were very well received. The proceedings of the meeting, including papers based on *all* talks, will be published in 2014 by Springer.

IMPACT/APPLICATIONS

The meeting was exceptionally well received and a great deal of information was shared and a good deal of networking took place. There was immediate interest in a 4th meeting and it is likely to take place in 2016.

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RELATED PROJECTS

None

Table 1: Countries of attendance at meeting (based on survey sent to all participants).

What country are you from?		
Answer Options	Response Percent	Response Count
Algeria	0.8%	1
Australia	3.0%	4
Canada	7.6%	10
China	0.8%	1
Denmark	1.5%	2
Finland	0.0%	0
France	1.5%	2
Germany	6.1%	8
Hungary	0.0%	0
Ireland	0.8%	1
Italy	3.8%	5
Korea	0.0%	0
Netherlands	8.3%	11
New Zealand	3.0%	4
Norway	2.3%	3
Poland	0.8%	1
Russia	3.0%	4
Spain	0.8%	1
Sweden	1.5%	2
Turkey	0.8%	1
United Kingdom	18.9%	25
United States	34.8%	46
Other (please specify)		2
<i>answered question</i>		132

Table 2: Professions of those responding to survey

Are you:		
Answer Options	Response Percent	Response Count
Undergraduate	0.0%	0
Graduate Student	22.3%	27
Postdoc	13.2%	16
University faculty	18.2%	22
Industry	18.2%	22
Regulator	3.3%	4
Environmental group	3.3%	4
Consultant	13.2%	16
Government (non-regulatory)	8.3%	10
Other (please specify)		16
<i>answered question</i>		121